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1. MBFR STAFF GROUP ON JULY 25 CIRCULATED REVISED DATA
ANNEXES FOR USE BY AHG UNDER NAC GUIDANCE ON CONTINUING
THE DATA DISCUSSION WITH THE EAST. THE REVISED ANNEXES
INCORPORATE CHANGES INTRODUCED AT THE JULY 22 MEETING,
AS WELL AS THE REVISED US FIGURES WHICH WE GAVE TO
STAFF GROUP ON JULY 22 (REFTEL C). THE NEW ANNEXES ARE
TRANSMITTED SEPTEL.

2. AT THE JULY 25 MEETING, ALL SPC MEMBERS ACCEPTED
THESE REVISED ANNEXES, EXCEPT US REP (MOORE), WHO
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RESERVED.

3. SPC AGREED TO MEET AGAIN ON THE DATA ANNEXES ON
THURSDAY AFTERNOON, JULY 28, IF NECESSARY. HOWEVER,
SEVERAL SMALLER DELEGATIONS HAD HOPED THE SPC WOULD ONLY
MEET IF NECESSARY DURING CURRENT VACATION PERIOD WHEN
THEY ARE SHORTHANDED. SPC THUS AGREED TO SUGGESTION BY

THE CHAIRMAN (JUNG) THAT IF NO OBJECTIONS WERE MADE BY NOON ON THURSDAY, JULY 28, THE PRESENT ANNEXES WOULD BE CONSIDERED AS APPROVED IN SPC BY SILENCE PROCEDURE, AND WOULD THEN GO TO THE NAC FOR APPROVAL AT A LATER DATE, ALSO BY SILENCE PROCEDURE.

4. WE DREW ON PARA 13 (REFTEL B) REGARDING DEVELOPMENT OF A NATO-AGREED FORMAT FOR PACT AIR FORCES TO SERVE AS A BASIS FOR ANALYZING DATA WHICH MAY BE RECEIVED FROM THE EAST, AND ANNOUNCED THAT US WAS PREPARED TO PROVIDE SUCH DATA IN TWO MODES. MC REP (GROUP CAPTAIN CHANDLER) SAID STAFF GROUP AND INTELLIGENCE DIVISION WOULD WORK ON THIS QUESTION, BUT THAT SOME FURTHER INPUT FROM NATIONS, SUCH AS THAT OFFERED BY US WOULD BE NECESSARY. CANADIAN REP (BARTLEMAN) WELCOMED THE US PROPOSAL, AND STATED THAT THE EARLIER CANADIAN PROPOSAL, THAT A FORMAT SHOULD BE PREPARED FOR BOTH GROUND AND AIR MANPOWER, REMAINED ON THE TABLE. HE INQUIRED IF US WAS STILL UNABLE TO ACCEPT DEVELOPMENT OF A GROUND MANPOWER FORMAT, AND US REPLIED PER PARA 2, (REFTEL A) THAT THAT WAS THE CASE. CANADIAN REP SUGGESTED THAT THE SPC GIVE THE MBFR WORKING GROUP A MANDATE TO DEVELOP THE AIR MANPOWER FORMAT. HOWEVER, MC REP THOUGHT STAFF GROUP, IN CONSULTATION WITH INTELLIGENCE DIVISION, AND WITH NATIONAL INPUTS, COULD WORK ON THE FORMAT, AND THAT IT WAS NOT NECESSARY TO TASK THE MBFR WORKING GROUP. SPC AGREED THAT STAFF GROUP
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WOULD PROCEED ON THIS BASIS.

5. CHAIRMAN PROPOSED, WITHOUT OBJECTION, THAT IN VIEW OF ABSENCE OF MBFR OFFICERS FROM SMALLER DELEGATIONS AND FROM SOME CAPITALS IN AUGUST, THE SPC WILL FOLLOW THE SAME PRACTICE ON MBFR AS IT DID LAST YEAR; I.E., SPC WILL NOT MEET ON MBFR UNTIL SEPTEMBER 1 UNLESDELEGATION SPECIFICALLY REQUESTS A MEETING.

6. ACTION REQUESTED: BY THURSDAY, JULY 28, AS REQUESTED IN PARA 9 (REFTEL C): IN LIGHT OF OUR DISCUSSION WITH STAFF GROUP, DOES WASHINGTON WISH TO MAINTAIN ITS DESIRE FOR AN EXERCISE OF COLLECTING AIR MANPOWER FROM CAPITALS, AND TO DELETE PARA 4 FROM ANNEX II? PEREZ

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